

**City of Milpitas
Unapproved Minutes
Telecommunications Commission
November 15, 2004**

I. Call to Order & Roll Call:

Telecommunications Commission Chair Albert Alcorn called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Albert Alcorn, N. Gupta,
G. Ali-Santosa, P. Peterson, I. Munir

I.S. Staff: B. Marion, E. Pasion City Council: A. Gomez

Members Absent: R. Gopalaraa, P. Gupta, A. Ettinger,
D. Gupta, V. Mathur, W. Lam

II. Pledge of Allegiance:

The members of the Commission recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Announcements:

Staff announced that two surveys were made available to the Commission for feedback involving the recent citywide ethics program and the commissioners recognition program.

IV. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

M/S N. Gupta / I. Munir Ayes: 5

**V. Approval of the Minutes
October 18, 2004**

Motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

M/S N. Gupta / P. Peterson Ayes: 5

VI. Citizen's Forum

No comments made for the record.

VII. Continued-New Business:

1. Nextel Monopole 420 Railroad Court.

Kim Duncan from the City's planning department provided a summary of the proposed monopole installation request by Nextel wireless communications at 420 Railroad Court. The location would consist of a multi panel communications monopole disguised, as a redwood tree and it would house electrical support equipment at its base. Representatives from Nextel were present to answer any technical questions that the Commission may have on the project.

Chair Alcorn asked if OES staff had reviewed the project. Staff noted that a staff had found no outstanding technical issues with the installation and a report was added the agenda item.

Kim Duncan noted that placard notification was also part of the application and agreed to as part of the installation request.

Motion to approve the request and move to the planning commission.

M/S N. Gupta/G. Alisantosa Ayes: 5

2. Status Report of Comcast Cable Franchise

Bill Marion, Director of Information Services, reported that the City continues to review and discussion outstanding matter regarding the cable television franchise with Comcast.

The City is currently waiting for a response on the process of adding a second cable access/education access channel. Staff provided a general list of items involving audio and video production equipment that would be essential to help set up an additional education/public access channel.

A formal proposal is still being sought after from Comcast for review.

The duration of the new cable franchise would be for ten years when finally agreed on by the City and Comcast.

Motion to note receipt and file

M/S P. Peterson/G. Alisantosa Ayes: 5

3. October '04 I.S. Month Report.

Staff reported on the recent wireless communications upgrades made on the Crown Plaza Hotel rooftop video camera and water and sewage treatment plants locations. A new DS3 45 megabit connection was installed to provide improved connectivity for the three locations as well as provide improved service to the city's 802-11b wireless mobile data network.

The fire mobile data system has also been completed with 16 new mobile data terminals installed on the fire apparatus allowing access to dispatch and GIS data maps. Testing continues on the new applications for the fire mobile data system.

The usage policy draft document involving cable 15 had been reviewed by the city attorney's office and would be presented for further discussion. The Internet over Power Line matter would be considered in the next

evaluation in the telecom master plan discussion for summer 2005.

Chair Alcorn reported that the Mayor had requested to get a Commission presentation to the City Council early next year. Staff noted that it would work with the Commission is preparing information for presentation to the City Council.

Motion to note receipt and file.

M/S N. Gupta/G. Alisantosa Ayes: 5

4. Round table discussion.

Vice Chair N. Gupta suggested that a mid-plan update work session be scheduled for discussion and planning purposes as it involves the telecommunications master plan document. It would also provide the opportunity to evaluate the various projects nearing completion.

Chair Alcorn noted that he would like to have the Commission give a comprehensive report on the telecommunications master plan to the City Council early next year.

Staff noted that it would have a list of technology projects accomplishments completed throughout the city that can be presented and reported to the City Council.

VIII. Adjournment of Meeting

The Commission adjourned the meeting to Monday, January 24, 2005.

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